

"Let not your
hearts be
troubled. Believe
in God; believe
also in me.
John 14:1



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Welcome to the Cheshire United Methodist Church.

All are welcome (all means all)!

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2026

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Mara Weed

OPENING PRAYER

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Pastor

◆CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: When our hearts are troubled and the way feels uncertain,

People: We turn to the One who leads us with love.

Leader: Jesus invites us not just to follow a path, but to trust his presence.

People: We come to dwell in the grace of God.

Leader: In Christ, we see the fullness of God's love revealed.

All: We gather to worship the God who is with us.

◆OPENING HYMN #318

“Christ Is Alive”

◆PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Faithful God, We praise you for meeting us in the midst of our uncertainty. When our hearts are troubled and our path unclear, you do not leave us to find our own way. You have given us Jesus Christ, who shows us who you are and leads us into life. In him, we see your compassion, your mercy, and your unwavering love. You are not distant or hidden. You are present, drawing us into relationship, calling us to dwell with you. We adore you for the promise that we are never alone, that there is always room in your presence for us. Receive our praise today. Steady our hearts, renew our trust, and lead us in the way of Christ. We worship you with gratitude and hope. Amen.

CHILDREN'S HYMN

“Praise Him, All Ye Little Children”

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD'S PRAYER

“Jesus Loves Me”

(ushers collect green prayer cards)

◆THE GOSPEL LESSON (p. 102-103 NT)

John 14:1-14 (responsive)

SERMON

“THE WAY FINDER”

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Come, Let Us Eat”

Kwillia/Carter

HYMN OF PREPARATION #621 (Tune: Old 100th)

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE #17-18

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #94, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #369

“Blessed Assurance”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

◆Stand, if you are able

Usher: Steve Trumbo

Ambassador: Jim Jackson

Fellowship: Dee Popolizio

Member Outreach: Dot Mattson

Nursery: Caroline Veleber, Barbara Heafy

Lector: Carolyn Kelly

Sunday School: Jennifer Roeder, Sarah Champagne

Visual Arts Creator: Rhonda Pattberg

Visual Arts Engineer: Mark Gilleylen

Livestream Tech: Natalie Missakian

Counters: Joe Bogacki, Ruth Veleber

Prayer Cards: Chris Driscoll

Communion Steward: Carolyn Kelly

Announcements

The **altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Patricia Keavney in honor of what would have been her parents, Frank and Patricia Keaveney’s, 78th anniversary on May 1st, and in celebration of Phelan and Brian Sullivan’s 13th anniversary on May 4th.

Trustees will be meeting on Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Faithful Thomas Room.

CUMC will be serving at **Shelter Now** on Saturday May 9th. Please see Jennifer Roeder for more information.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Welcome!

We are a Welcoming and Reconciling congregation. Rooted in God's love, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person and seek to live Christ's call to compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome people of all races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, nationalities, abilities, family structures, and social or economic backgrounds into the full life and leadership of the church. We believe we can love alike even when we do not think alike, and we invite all to share in worship, ministry, fellowship, and the sacraments as we grow together in faith and love.

Who We Are . . .

We are a church family that welcomes all, regardless of political views or Christian perspectives, because we belong to the one family of God. Though we may not always agree, we commit to loving, forgiving, honoring our differences, and serving together as we live out the Gospel of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ. Guided by Micah 6:8, we strive to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.